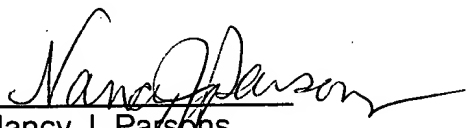


culture" (line 5), while claim 5 and the claims on which it depends (4 and 1) only recite "a first culture" (line 6 of claim 1). Applicant submits that this amendment does not raise new issues and places the application in better form for appeal. The amendment should therefore be entered and considered.

Respectfully submitted,


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